

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, replace the first paragraph as follows:

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~~An industrial field of the~~ The present invention relates to a ~~molecular biological technical and a biochemical technical such as a gene technology, a protein technology, a cell technology and an immunology technology, particularly to a~~ method for constructing an original support on which a Deoxyribonucleic Acid (hereinafter, it is referred to as "DNA") library is immobilized by utilizing a micro amount of DNA test material, a method for constructing ~~its~~ replica supports and a support on which is immobilized ~~with a DNA piece~~.

[Page 1, replace the second paragraph as follows:]

~~In a conventional art, in the case of experimenting DNA,~~ DNA is conventionally amplified by utilizing a Polymerase Chain Reaction (hereinafter, ~~it is~~ referred to as "PCR") and divided ~~to~~ into small groups, since DNA is a very important test material. The DNA test material is preserved at a remarkably low temperature in a freezer. ~~In a conventional art,~~ Conventionally a DNA library is produced in ~~a solution condition~~ so that a replica of the DNA library can not be produced.

Accordingly, ~~it has to treat~~ a DNA library test material

must be treated in a solution ~~condition~~ obtained from a micro amount of tissue or cells very carefully in order to search and diagnose its gene. A purpose of the present invention is to provide a method for constructing a DNA library support (original support) on which A DNA library is immobilized by utilizing a micro amount of the DNA library test material. Another purpose of the present invention is to provide a method for constructing the necessary number of replica supports.

[Page 1, replace the last paragraph as follows:]

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In a method for constructing a cDNA (complementary DNA) library according to the present invention, the method ~~is characterized of~~ involves hybridizing oligo (dT)_n on a support and mRNA (messenger Ribosenucleic Acid, hereinafter, ~~it is~~ referred to as "mRNA" and affecting with it RT (Reverse Transcriptase, hereinafter, ~~it is~~ referred to as "RT") in order to immobilize complementary DNA.

Page 2, replace the first paragraph as follows:

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In a method for constructing a cDNA library according to the present invention, mRNA is dehybridized from a cDNA library immobilized on a support. The method

~~is characterized of~~ involves immobilizing the same cDNA library by utilizing the dehybridized mRNA.

[Page 2, replace the second paragraph as follows:]

In a method for constructing a gDNA (genomic DNA) library according to the present invention, ~~the method is characterized of~~ a double stranded gDNA is ligated to oligo nucleotide on a support with a restrictive enzyme portion.

[Page 2, replace the third paragraph as follows:]

In a method for constructing single stranded gDNA library according to the present invention, ~~the method is characterized of utilizing~~ a sense portion of a gDNA is immobilized on the support ~~as recited in claim 3.~~

[Page 2, replace the fourth paragraph as follows:]

In a method for single stranded gDNA library according to the present invention, ~~the method is characterized of dehybridizing~~ an anti-sense portion of the gDNA library is dehybridized as recited ~~in claim 3~~ above and ~~synthetic immobilizing~~ a sense portion is

synthetically immobilized on a support by utilizing the anti-sense portion.

[Page 2, replace the fifth paragraph as follows:]

In any of the methods according to the present invention ~~as recited in one of claims 1 to 5, it is characterized that~~ a support is previously ~~chemical~~ modified chemically modified with nucleotide or oligo nucleotide.

That is, the present invention provides a method for constructing a cDNA library immobilized with complementary DNA by hybridizing mRNA and oligo (dT) on a support, and treating this with reverse transcriptase.
In another embodiment, a cDNA library is constructed by dehybridizing mRNA from a cDNA library immobilized on a support, and immobilizing the same cDNA library on another supporting using that mRNA.

In another embodiment of the present invention, a gDNA library is constructed by ligating double stranded gDNA with respect to oligonucleotide on a support having a respective enzyme portion. A gDNA library can then be constructed using an immobilized sense portion of the gDNA library on the support.

In yet another embodiment of the present invention, a single stranded gDNA library is constructed

by synthetically immobilizing a sense portion on a support using an anti-sense portion after dehybridizing the anti-sense portion of the gDNA library produced above.

[Page 2, replace the sixth paragraph as follows:]

A substrate according to the present invention ~~is characterized in that~~ has a DNA library ~~is immobilized by any methods as recited in one of claims 1 to 6 thereon.~~

In all of the above methods, the support is optionally previously chemically modified with a nucleotide or oligonucleotide.

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[Page 2, replace the seventh paragraph as follows:]

A support according to the present invention ~~is characterized in that~~ has single stranded DNA library ~~is immobilized~~ on the support.

Page 3, replace the first paragraph as follows:

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An original support ~~chemical-modified- which~~ is chemically modified with respect to only a nucleotide or oligonucleotide and a plurality of supports for a replica use are prepared so as to produce an original

support or replica supports. The supports are set in a replica constructing device. A device for constructing a DNA library support according to the present invention will be explained with reference to accompanying drawings. Fig. 1 is a schematic view of a device for constructing a cDNA library support. Fig. 2 is a schematic view of a device for constructing a gDNA library support. Fig. 3 is a flowchart for explaining a process of constructing a cDNA library support. Fig. 5 is a flowchart for explaining a gDNA library support.

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Page 3, replace the second paragraph as]

Fig. 1 shows a schematic view of a device for automatically constructing and duplicating a cDNA library support. A device A for constructing a DNA library support as shown in Fig. 1 comprises liquid feeding means 105 for feeding reaction solution to a container, liquid feeding switch means 220 for stopping the reaction solution and feeding new reaction solution, nozzle driving means 100 for driving a nozzle 101 for inletting/outletting test material in a front-rear and right-left direction in a plane and an upper-lower direction, solution temperature controlling means 30 for heating/cooling reaction solution in the container, test

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material container holding means 20 for holding
containers in which each test material and/or solution
are set for constructing ~~a respective~~ immobilized DNA
library supports, and test material container temperature
control means 40 for ~~controlling~~ maintaining the test
material container holding means at a predetermined
temperature and so on. It is preferable that the
container holding means 10 ~~can~~ hold 96 test material
containers or more than test material containers ~~in view~~
~~of a~~ for subsequent connection to a PCR device and/or a
PCR product analysis device ~~in near future~~. It is
preferable that the test material ~~comprises~~ comprise at
least four test material container inserting holes for
replica supports. It is preferable that ~~umber~~ the
number of the container inserting holes provided at the
test material container holding means 20 is 10 holes or
more ~~than holes in view of a~~ for subsequent connection to
~~the a~~ PCR device and/or ~~the a~~ PCR product analysis
device ~~in near future~~. It is preferable that the
container holding means 10 and the test material
container holding means 20 ~~are~~ be an aluminum block with
good conductivity in view of thermally controlling the
solution temperature controlling means 30 and the test
~~material container temperature control means 40.~~

Page 4, replace the first paragraph as follows:

It is preferable that a support for constructing a DNA library support ~~is~~ be a plate shape, a ball shape, a cube shape or a grain shape in the both cases of an original support and replica supports. Although ~~a~~ the material of the support is not specified, it is preferable that material ~~does~~ not react with reaction solution or that the material does not deposit harmful material with respect to a DNA immobilization reaction. For example, plastic, glass, silicone and metal are ~~preferable material~~ preferred materials. ~~The A~~ plate shape, ~~the~~ a ball shape, ~~the~~ a cube shape and so on are ~~preferable~~ preferred. Particularly, a support made of diamond or carbon atoms including diamond is preferable preferred.

Page 4, replace the second paragraph as follows:

With reference to Fig. 1 and Fig. 3, ~~it will be explained~~ a process for constructing an original support on which a cDNA library is immobilized and its replica supports will be explained. At first, a necessary number (T1~Tn) of supports of 3 mm x 3 mm x 0.1 mm chemically ~~modified~~ modified with respect to oligo (dT) n (n is from 15 to 30) are prepared. These supports are

chemically ~~modified~~ modified with respect to only
oligo (dT) n and a DNA library ~~has~~ is not ~~been yet~~
immobilized on the supports. A reason why a support
chemically modified with oligo (dT) n is used is that it
is easy to hybridize mRNA in Total RNA chemically
~~modified~~ modified. These supports are inserted into
containers CB1 to CBn and the containers are set ~~in~~ into
the container holding means 10. In such a case, it is
preferable to insert one support into a first container
in view of certainly constructing an original support as
an immobilized cDNA library and its replica supports by
utilizing a micro amount of mRNA obtained from a small
amount of test material. Regarding an order of setting
containers CB1~CBn into which a chemically modified
support ~~chemically modified~~ is inserted at the
container holding means 10, the container CB1 f or an
original support in which a chemically modified support
T1 ~~chemically modified~~ is set is inserted into a first
inserting portion HT1. ~~Necessary~~ The necessary number
of containers (CB2~CBn) for replica supports into which
the corresponding number of chemically modified supports
~~chemically modified~~ (T2~Tn) is set, respectively are
inserted into a second inserting hole HT2, ...a nth
inserting hole HTn in order.

Replace the paragraph on page 5 as follows:

Reaction solution 203 including purified total RNA solution 201, RT enzyme solution 202 and nucleotide (dT, dA, dG, dC) is set in the test material container holding means 20 controlled at a predetermined temperature (i.e. 4 °C). Tris-Ethylene-diamine-tetraacetic-acid (hereinafter, ~~it is~~ referred to as "TE") solution 204 for cleaning/eluting DNA (buffer solution including Tris-Ethylene-diamine-tetraacetic acid) and a waste solution tank 210 and others are provided. A capillary tube 230 is provided as a liquid feeding path by connecting to the liquid feeding switch means 220 for ~~liquid~~-feeding the respective solution. It is ~~preferable~~ preferred that the capillary tube 230 ~~is an anti-~~ be a corrosion resistant stainless tube for liquid chromatography. It is ~~preferable~~ preferred that a connection between the test material inlet nozzle 101 and the liquid feeding switch means 220 through the liquid feeding means 105 ~~is be~~ a silicone tube 231. Then, the test material inlet nozzle 101 is moved to a position of the hole HT1 in the container holding means 10 so as to insert the nozzle 101 into the container CB1 in which the first support (T1) is set. The liquid feeding switch means 220 is provided at a side of the reaction solution and the reaction solution is inleted to the container CB1

by driving the liquid feeding means 105. The liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the total RNA solution 201 and the predetermined amount of the solution 201 is inleted by the liquid feeding means 105. After passing a predetermined time (for example, 20 to 30 minutes) at a temperature equal or lower than the predetermined temperature (for example 20°C), the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to RT enzyme solution (enzyme 1) 202 so as to inlet a predetermined amount of the solution 202 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. After removing the test material inlet nozzle 101 from the container CB1, a temperature of the container holding means 10 is set at the predetermined temperature (for example, 42°C), RT enzyme reaction for constructing cDNA from mRNA is proceeded by maintaining for a predetermined time (for example 30 to 60 minutes). After setting a temperature of the container holding means 10 at a temperature equal or lower than the predetermined temperature (for example, 20°C), the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 210 so as to discharge reaction solution in the container CB1 to the waste liquid tank 210 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. The liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the TE solution 204 so as to inlet a predetermined amount of the TE solution 204 into the

container CB1 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. A temperature of the container holding means 10 is heated to a predetermined temperature (for example 90°C) by driving the solution temperature control means 30 so as to hybridize mRNA. Then, the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to a container 206 for temporally preserving mRNA, dehybridized mRNA solution is moved to the container 206 for temporally preserving mRNA by driving the liquid feeding means 105.

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Replace the paragraph on page 6 as follows:

~~In the next, it~~ Next will be described a method for constructing replica supports by re-using mRNA dehybridized from the original cDNA library support produced by the above described method. At ~~the~~ first, after removing the test material inlet/outlet nozzle 101 from the container CB1, the nozzle 101 is moved to a container CB2 in which a replica support (T2) and mRNA solution 206 temporally preserved is inlet to the container CB2 by reversely driving the liquid feeding means 105. Then, the steps explained for the production of the above original support are repeated. However, a latter step for inletting the Total RNA solution 201 can be omitted. The liquid feeding switch means 220 is provided at a side of reaction solution 203 of, the

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container CB2. The reaction solution is inleted to the container CB2 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. After maintaining the container CB2 for a predetermined time (for example, 20 to 30 minutes) at a temperature equal or lower than a predetermined temperature (for example, 20°C), the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the RT enzyme solution (enzyme) 202 so as to inlet a predetermined amount of the solution by driving the liquid feeding means 105. After removing the test material inlet/outlet nozzle 101 from the container CB2, ~~a- the~~ temperature of the container holding means 10 is maintained at a predetermined temperature (for example, about 42°C) for a predetermined time (for example, 30 to 60 minutes). After controlling ~~a- the~~ temperature of the container holding means 10 at a temperature equal or lower than a room temperature (20°C) , the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 210. The test material inlet/outlet nozzle 101 is inserted into the container CB2, reaction solution in the container CB2 is discharged to the waste solution tank 210 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. The liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the TE solution 204 so as to inlet a predetermined amount of the TE ~~solution 204 into the container CB2 by driving the liquid~~ feeding means 105. Then, the liquid feeding switch means

220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 210 so as to discharge the TE solution in the container CB2 into the waste liquid tank. By repeating the above process several times (equal or more than 5 times preferably), a first replica support duplicated from the original cDNA library support is produced. Necessary numbers of replica supports are produced by repeating ~~a~~the cyclic operation for constructing the replica support necessary times. Fig. 2 is a schematic view of a device automatically constructing and duplicating a gDNA library support. The device for constructing a DNA library support as shown in Fig. 2 comprises a liquid feeding means 105 for liquid feeding reaction solution and so on to a container, a liquid feeding switch means 220 for switching the liquid feeding of the reaction solution, a nozzle driving means 100 for driving a test material inlet/outlet nozzle 101 in a front-rear direction and left-right direction in a plane and an upper-lower direction, a container holding means 10 for holding a container in which a support is set, a container solution temperature control means 30 for heating/cooling the reaction liquid in the container, a test material container holding means 20 for holding containers in which test materials and test solutions for duplicating an immobilized DNA library support are set,

respectively and a test material container temperature control means 40 for controlling the test material container holding means at a predetermined temperature. It is preferable that 96 test material containers or more ~~than test material containers~~ can ~~insert to~~ be inserted into the container holding means 10 in view of connecting to a PCR device and/or a PCR product analysis device in near future. It is ~~preferable~~ preferred that the test material container holding means 20 ~~comprises~~ contain at least four holes for a test material container in order to produce replica supports. It is ~~preferable~~ preferred that a number of the test material holes provided at the test material container holding means 20 ~~is~~ be equal or more than 10 ~~in view of~~ for subsequently connecting to a PCR device and/or a PCR product analysis device ~~in near future~~. It is ~~preferable~~ preferred that the container holding means 10 and the test material container holding means 20 ~~are~~ be made of aluminum with good thermal conductivity in view of thermally controlling the container liquid temperature control means 36 with a Peltier element.

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Replace the paragraph on page 8 as follows:

~~With reference to Fig. 2 and Fig. 5, it will be~~

~~explained~~ a production of an original support immobilized with a gDNA library and its replica supports will be explained. ~~Necessary~~ The necessary number (T1~Tn) of supports (for example, 3 mm x 3 mm x 0.1 mm) chemically ~~modified~~ modified with oligo nucleotide (sense portion) having a restrictive enzyme portion are prepared. With respect to the original support (T1), oligo nucleotide (anti-sense portion) is hybridized and treated with restrictive enzyme so as to prepare a complete restrictive enzyme portion. The original support T1 is set in a container CB1 and supports T2~Tn (replica supports) chemically ~~modified~~ modified with oligonucleotide (sense portion) having restrictive enzyme portion are set in containers CB2~CBn. These containers are set ~~in~~ into the solution holding means 10.

B1 Regarding a setting order, the container CB1 in which an original support T1 is set is inserted into a first inserting hole HT1 ~~at the first~~ initially and a second container and the successive containers CB2~CBn in which each replica support is set are inserted in order.

Reaction solution 303 including purified gDNA library solution 306 treated with restrictive enzyme, DNA Ligase solution (enzyme 1) 305, DNA Polymerase solution (enzyme 2) 302 and nucleotide (dT, dA, dG, dC) 303 is set ~~in~~ into a test material solution holding means 20 of which a

temperature is fixed at a predetermined temperature (24°C). TE solution for cleaning/eluting DNA 304 and a waste liquid tank 310 are provided. A capillary tube 330 for the respective solution is connected to a liquid feeding switch means 220. It is ~~preferable~~ preferred that the capillary tube 230 ~~is an anti-~~ be a corrosion resistant stainless tube for liquid chromatography. The liquid feeding switch means 220 and the test material inlet/outlet nozzle 101 and others are connected to a front end of the capillary tube 230 through the liquid feeding means 105. A silicone tube 231 is preferable for its connection. A test material inlet/outlet nozzle 101 is moved to a location of the hole HT1 of the container holding means 10 so as to insert the nozzle 101 into the container CB1 in which the first support (T1) is set. The liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the reaction solution 303 so as to inlet a predetermined amount (for example, 17 μ L) of the reaction solution 303 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. The liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the gDNA library solution 306 treated with restrictive enzyme so as to inlet a predetermined amount (for example, 2 μ L) of the solution 306 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. ~~After maintaining the container CBI at a temperature~~
equal or lower than a predetermined temperature (for

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example, 20°C) for a predetermined time (for example, 20 to 30 minutes) , the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to DNA Ligase solution (enzyme 1) 305 so as to inlet a predetermined amount (for example, 1 μ L) of the solution 305 into the container CB1 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. After removing the test material inlet/outlet nozzle 101 from the container CB1, ~~a~~the temperature of the container holding means 10 is controlled at a predetermined temperature (for example, 37°C). After maintaining the container CB1 for a predetermined time (for example, 30 to 60 minutes), the gDNA library immobilized with DNA Ligase is produced on the support T1. After controlling a temperature of the container holding means 10 at a predetermined temperature (for example, equal or less than 20 0 C), the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 310 so as to insert the test material inlet/outlet nozzle 101 to the container CB1 and discharge the reaction solution in the container CB1 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. The liquid feeding switch 220 is shifted to the TE solution 304, a predetermined amount(for example, 500 μ L) of the TE solution is inleted to the container CB1 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. Then, the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 310 so as to

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discharge the TE solution in the container CB1. By repeating the process several times (for example, equal or more than 5 times), the immobilized support T1 is cleaned. After cleaning the immobilized support T1, the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the reaction solution 303 so as to inlet a predetermined amount (for example, 19 μ L) of the reaction solution 303 into the container CB1 by driving the liquid feeding means 105. By heating ~~a~~ the temperature of the container holding means 10 ~~at~~ to a predetermined temperature (for example, 90°C) and maintaining the container CB1 for a predetermined time (for example, 10 to 20 minutes) , anti-sense portion is dehybridized from the immobilized gDNA library. Then, the liquid feeding switch means 220 is shifted to the container 306 in which a gDNA library (anti-sense portion) is temporally preserved so as to outlet the gDNA library (anti-sense portion) solution from the container CB1. In the present stage, a production of the first gDNA library (sense portion) support (original support) is accomplished.

Replace the first paragraph on page 10 as follows:

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~~After removing the test material inlet/outlet~~

nozzle 101 from the container CB1, the nozzle 101 is moved to the next container CB2 in which a replica support (T2) is set so as to inlet the gDNA library (anti-sense portion) solution 306 temporally preserved into the container CB2. In order to produce a replica support, the above described cyclic operation is repeated as necessary ~~times~~ so as to produce the necessary required number of replica supports. However, in the second embodiment described below, it is noted that DNA Polymerase solution (enzyme 2) 302 is selected during a replica constructing process so as to inlet a predetermined amount (for example, 1 μ L) of the solution 302 into the container CB2 by driving the liquid feeding means 105.

[Replace the last paragraph on page 10 as follows:]

B With reference to Fig. 1, Fig. 3 and Fig. 4, ~~it will be explained a~~ production of an original support immobilized with a cDNA library and its replica supports will be explained. Regarding pre-treatment of the test material, the test material is prepared by (1) breaking cell and tissue and purifying total RNA (see a step S1 in Fig. 3). ~~Regarding a pre-treatment of a support~~ immobilized with a cDNA library, rat's liver tissue of

about 5 mm x 5 mm is homogenized in a test material kit (for example, ISOGEN sold by K. K. Nippon Gene) and the total RNA is purified in accordance with its protocol. Ten supports (T1~T10) of 3 mm x 3 mm x 0.1 mm chemically ~~modified~~ modified with oligo (dT) _n (n is from 15 to 30) are prepared (see the step S2 in Fig. 3). The supports (T1~T10) immobilized with amino group on ~~its surface~~ their surfaces are treated with activating dihydric carbonic solution. After cleaning with ethanol and distilled water in order, the supports are maintained in the oligo (dT) _n solution for 10 minutes. Each support (T1~T10) is inserted into ~~a~~-respective containers CB1~CB10 individually, the containers CB1~CB10 are set in the temperature controlling aluminum block 10. Reaction solution 203 including purified total RNA solution 201, RT enzyme solution 202 and nucleotide (dT, dA, dG, dC) are set ~~in~~ into a low temperature test material aluminum block 20 controlled at 4°C. TE solution (buffer liquid including Tris-Ethylene-diamine-tetraacetic-acid) for cleaning DNA and the waste liquid tank 210 are provided at an exterior side of the low temperature test material aluminum block 20. The total RNA solution 201, the RT enzyme solution 202, the reaction solution 203, the TE solution 204, and the waste liquid tank 210 ~~is~~ are connected to an automatic 8-ways switching valve 220

through capillary tubes 230, respectively. A test material inlet/outlet capillary needle 101 is moved to a location of the inlet hole HT1 of the temperature control container aluminum block 10 so as to insert the capillary needle 101 into the container CB1 in which the first support T1 (original support) is set. The automatic 8-~~ways~~-way switching valve 220 is shifted to the reaction solution 203 so as to inlet the reaction solution 203 of 17 μ L into the container CB1 by driving a peristaltic pump 105. The automatic 8-~~ways~~-way switching valve 220 is shifted to the Total RNA solution 201, the solution 201 of 2 μ L is pumped by the peristaltic pump 105. In order to hybridize oligo (dT) immobilized on a surface of the support and mRNA in the Total RNA solution, the solutions are maintained at 20°C for 20 minutes (see a step S3 in Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 (a)). After ~~passing the~~ this time, the automatic 8-~~ways~~-way switching valve 220 is shifted to the RT enzyme solution 202 of 1 μ L so as to pump the RT enzyme solution 202 by the peristaltic pump 105. After removing the test material inlet/outlet capillary needle 101 from the container CB1, the container holding means 10 is controlled at 42°C for 30 minutes so as to produce a cDNA library immobilized on the support T1 (immobilized support) by the RT enzyme (see a step S4 in Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 (b)). After cooling

the container holding means 10 to 20°C again, the automatic 8-~~ways-way~~ switching valve 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 210 so as to insert the test material inlet/outlet capillary needle 101 into the container CB1. The reaction solution in the container CB1 is discharged to the waste liquid tank 210 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. The automatic 8-way switching valve 220 is shifted to the TE solution 204. The TE solution 204 of 500 µ L is inleted to the container CB1 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. Then the automatic 8-~~ways-way~~ switching valve 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 210 so as to discharge the TE solution in the container CB1 to the waste solution tank 210. By repeating the operation several times (five ~~time~~ times or more ~~than times~~), the immobilized support T1 is cleaned (see a step S5 in Fig. 3). After cleaning the immobilized support T1, the automatic 8-~~ways-way~~ switching valve 220 is shifted to the reaction solution 203, the reaction solution 203 of 19 µ L is inleted to the container CB1 by proving the peristaltic pump 105. The container holding means 10 is heated to 90°C, mRNA is dehybridized from the immobilized cDNA library after maintaining for 10 minutes (see a step S6 in Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 (d)). In the next, the automatic 8-~~ways-way~~ switch valve 220 is shifted to the container 206 in which

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mRNA is temporally preserved, dehybridized mRNA solution is eluted and outleted from the container CB1 and preserved in the container 206 temporally (see a step S7 in Fig. 3). In accordance with the above steps, the first cDNA library support (original support) immobilized with a cDNA library is produced (see a step S8 in Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 (c)). After removing the test material inlet/outlet capillary needle 101 from the container CB1, the capillary needle 101 is moved to the container CB2 in which a replica support (T2) is set. The replica support (T2) ~~is~~ has been previously chemically ~~modified~~ modified. The automatic 8-~~ways~~ way switching valve 220 is shifted to the container 206 for temporally preserving mRNA, mRNA of 19 μ L temporary preserved is inleted to the container CB2 by driving a peristaltic pump 105 (see an arrow R as shown in Fig. 4 (d) to Fig. 4 (a)). In order to hybridize immobilized oligo (dT) and mRNA, the container CB2 is maintained at 20°C for 20 minutes. The automatic 8-~~ways~~ way switching valve 220 is shifted to the RT enzyme solution 202, the RT enzyme solution 202 of 1 μ L is inleted to the container CB2 by driving the peristaltic pump 105 (see a step S9 in Fig. 3). After removing the test material inlet/outlet capillary needle 101 from the container CB2, the container holding means 10 is controlled at 42°C for 30 minutes so as to produce

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a cDNA library support immobilized on the support (T2) by RT enzyme (see a step S10 in Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 (b)). After cooling the container holding means 10 to 20°C again, the automatic 8-~~ways~~-way switching valve 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 210. The test material inlet/outlet capillary needle 101 is inserted into the container CB2 so as to discharge the reaction solution in the container CB2 to the waste liquid tank 210 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. The automatic 8-~~ways~~-way switching valve 220 is shifted to the TE solution 204, the TE solution 204 of 500 μ L is inleted into the container CB2 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. Then, the automatic 8-~~ways~~-way switching valve 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 210 so as to discharge the TE solution in the container CB2. By repeating the above operation 5 times, the immobilized support T2 is cleaned (see a step S11 in Fig. 3). After cleaning the immobilized support T2, the automatic 8-~~ways~~-way switching valve 220 is shifted to the reaction solution 203, the reaction solution 203 of 19 μ L is inleted to the container CB2 by driving the peristaltic pump. In, the next step, the container holding means 10 is heated, to 90°C and maintained for 10 minutes so as to

~~dehybridize mRNA from the immobilized cDNA library (see a~~
step S12 in Fig. 3). In the next step, the automatic 8-

~~ways~~ way switching valve 220 is shifted to the container 206 for ~~temporally~~ temporarily preserving mRNA, dehybridized mRNA solution is separated, eluted from the container CB2 by driving the peristaltic pump 5 (see Fig. 4 (d)) and ~~temporally~~ temporarily preserved in the container 206 (see a step S13 in Fig. 3). In accordance with the above steps, a replica cDNA library support (replica support) is produced (see a step S14 in Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 (c)). With respect to the containers CB3~CB10 in which supports T3~T10 ~~is~~ are set, respectively, ~~the a~~ similar process is ~~operated~~ conducted. By repeating the above steps S9 through S14 in order, eight replica supports are produced in order. By utilizing supports (T1~T10) immobilized with a cDNA library of rat's liver tissue, gene is amplified by a PCR device with respect to 18S rRNA. It is confirmed that the cDNA library is immobilized by an electrophoresis device. As ~~the a~~ result, it can be confirmed that the original support T1 and the replica supports T2~T10 are produced as normal cDNA library supports.

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Replace the paragraph on page 14 as follows:

With reference to Fig. 2, Fig. 5, Fig. 6 and Fig. 7, ~~it will be explained a~~ production of an original support immobilized with a gDNA library and its replica

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supports will be explained. Regarding the pre-treatment of the test material, test materials are prepared by (1) breaking ~~cell~~ cells and ~~tissue~~ tissues and (2) purifying and treating gDNA with restrictive enzyme (see a step S21 in Fig. 5). Ten supports chemically ~~modified~~ modified with a sense portion of oligo nucleotide having base sequence of a target restrictive enzyme portion are prepared. ~~A~~ The size of the support is about 3 mm x 3 mm x 0.1 mm (see a step S22 in Fig. 5). A concept of the support is shown as a support f surrounded with a breaking line in Fig. 6(d). Fig 7 is an enlarged view of the portion. By utilizing one chemically modified support ~~chemically modified~~, an anti-sense portion of the oligo nucleotide is hybridized. The support is treated with restrictive enzyme so as to produce one support (T1) having a complete restrictive enzyme cut portion (see a step S23 in Fig. 5 and an arrow (1) in Fig. 6 (d) to Fig. 6 (a)). A concept of the support is shown as a support e surrounded with a broken line in Fig. 6 (a). Fig. 8 is an enlarged view of its portion. A container CB1 in which the support T1 is inserted and nine supports chemically ~~modified~~ modified with a sense portion of oligonucleotide having the restrictive enzyme portion are set in the container holding means 10. As shown in Fig. 2, the reaction solution 303 including

purified gDNA library solution 306 treated with
restrictive enzyme, DNA solution (enzyme 1) 305, DNA
Polymerase solution (enzyme 2) 302 and nucleotide (dT,
dA, dG, dC) ~~is~~are set in a low temperature test material
aluminum block 20 controlled at 4°C. TE solution 304 for
cleaning/eluting DNA and a waste liquid tank 310 are
provided at an exterior side of the low temperature test
material aluminum block 20. As shown in Fig. 2, the
reaction solution 303 including the gDNA (genomic DNA)
library solution 306, the DNA Ligase solution (enzyme 1)
305, the DNA Polymerase solution (enzyme 2) 302 and
nucleotide (dT, dA, dG, dC), the TE solution 304 for
cleaning/eluting DNA and the waste liquid 310 are
connected to an automatic 8-~~ways~~way switching valve 220
through a capillary tube 230, respectively. The test
material inlet/outlet capillary needle 101 is moved to a
location of the hole HT1 of the temperature control
container aluminum block 10 so as to insert the capillary
needle 101 into the container CBB in which the first
support T1 (original support) is set. The automatic 8-
ways-~~way~~way switching valve 220 is shifted to the reaction
solution 303, the reaction solution 303 of 17 μ L is
inleted to the container CB1 by driving the peristaltic
pump 105. The automatic 8-ways-~~way~~way switching valve 220
is shifted to the gDNA library solution 306 treated with

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restrictive enzyme, the solution 306 of 2 μ L is pumped by the peristaltic pump. After maintaining at 20°C for 20 minutes, the automatic 8-~~ways-way~~ switching valve 220 is shifted to DNA Ligase solution (enzyme 1) 305 so as to inlet the solution 305 of 1 μ L to the container CB1 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. After removing the test material inlet/outlet capillary needle 101 from the container CB1, ~~a~~-the temperature of the container holding means 10 is controlled at 37°C for 30 minutes so as to produce the gDNA library immobilized by DNA Ligase on the support T1 (see a step S25 in Fig. 5 and an arrow (2) in Fig. 6 (a) to Fig. 6 (b)). After cooling the container holding means 10 to 20°C, the automatic 8-~~ways-way~~ switching valve 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 310 so as to discharge the reaction solution in the CB1 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. The automatic 8-~~ways-way~~ switching valve 220 is shifted to the TE solution 304, the TE solution of 500 μ L is inleted to the container CB1 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. Then, the automatic 8-~~ways-way~~ switching valve 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 310, and the TE solution in the container CB1 is discharged. By repeating these steps five times or more, the support T1 is cleaned (see a step S26 in Fig. 5). After ~~cleansing~~-cleaning the support T1, the automatic 8-~~ways-way~~ switching valve 220

is shifted to the reaction solution 303. The reaction solution of 19 μ L is inleted to the container CB1 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. The temperature control container aluminum block 10 is heated to 90°C and maintained at that temperature for 10 minutes, an anti-senseportion is dehybridized from a double stranded ~~of a~~ sense portion and the anti-sense portion of immobilized DNA library (see a step S27 in Fig. 5 and an arrow (3) in Fig. 6 (b) and Fig. 6 (c)). The automatic 8-~~waysway~~ switching valve 220 is shifted to a container 306 for preserving ~~temporally~~ temporarily so as to elute the anti-sense portion of the gDNA library solution from the container CB1 by driving the peristaltic pump 105 (see a step S29 in Fig. 5 and an arrow in Fig. 6 (b) to Fig. 6 (d)). On the other hand, the sense portion is only immobilized on the support (T1). Thus, the first support, that is, single stranded gDNA library support T1 (original support) is produced (see ~~a~~-step S28 in Fig. 5 and Fig. 6 (c)). After removing the test material inlet/outlet capillary needle 101 from the container CB1, the capillary needle 101 is moved to the container CB2 in which the support T2 is set. The reaction solution including nucleotide is added to the container CB2 preserved at 20°C. The gDNA library solution 306 including only anti-sense portion temporarily preserved is

inleted to the container CB2 and maintained for 20 minutes (see a step S30 in Fig. 5). In the next step, DNA ~~Polymerase~~ polymerase is added, heated to 37°C and maintained for one hour. As ~~the a~~ a result, a double stranded g DNA library, of which a sense portion is immobilized on the support T2, is produced (see a step S31 and an arrow (4) in Fig. 6 (d) to Fig. 6 (b)). The container CB2 in which the support T2 immobilized with the above double stranded gDNA library is set is controlled at 20°C. After shifting the automatic 8-~~ways~~ way switching valve 220 to the waste liquid tank 310, the test material inlet/outlet the capillary needle 101 is inlet into the container CB2. The reaction solution in the container CB2 is discharged by driving the peristaltic pump 105. The automatic 8-~~ways~~ way switching valve 220 is shifted to the TE solution 304, the TE solution of 500 µ L is inleted to the container CB2 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. Then, the automatic 8-~~ways~~ way switching valve 220 is shifted to the waste liquid tank 310, and the TE solution in the container CB2 is discharged. By repeating the above steps 5 times or more ~~than times~~, the support T2 is cleaned (see a step S32 in Fig. 5). After cleaning the support T2, the automatic 8-~~ways~~ way switching valve 220 is shifted to the reaction solution 303 so as to inlet the reaction

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solution of 19 μ L into the container CB2 by driving the peristaltic pump 105. The aluminum block 10 is heated to 90°C and maintained for 10 minutes so as to dehybridize the anti-sense portion from immobilized gDNA library with the double stranded ~~of the~~ sense portion and the anti-sense portion (see a step S33 in Fig. 5 and an arrow (5) in Fig. 6 (b) and Fig. 6 (c)). The automatic 8-~~ways~~ way switching valve 220 is shifted to a container for ~~preserving~~ temporary preservation so as to outlet the anti-sense portion of gDNA library solution from the container CB2 (see a step S35 in Fig. 5 and an arrow in Fig. 6 (b) to Fig. 6 (d)). A second single stranded gDNA library support, that is, a replica support T2 on which a sense portion is immobilized is produced (see a step S34 in Fig. 5 and Fig. 6 (c)). By repeating the above steps, a double stranded gDNA library is immobilized on a support. An anti-sense portion is dehybridized from the double stranded immobilized, gDNA library so as to produce ~~remained the remaining~~ number (T3~T10) of single stranded gDNA library supports (replica supports). That is, a process including steps as shown in Fig. 6 (b), 6 (d) , Fig. 6 (b) and Fig. 6 (d) is repeated so that any number of supports on which the same single stranded gDNA library is immobilized can be produced (see Fig. 6 (c)).

Replace the paragraph on page 17 as follows:

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In a device according to the present invention, a production of a support immobilized with cDNA library from mRNA and gDNA library treated with restrictive enzyme of gDNA can be produced easily. Although it is impossible to produce replica supports duplicated from DNA library solution in a conventional art, ~~necessary-the~~ required number (until mRNA and gDNA are chemically or physically broken) of replica supports are easily produced as immobilized DNA supports for a short time. An immobilized DNA library support and its replica supports can be produced by collecting micro amount of gene material from cultured ~~cell-cells~~ or ~~tissue-tissues~~ of an important detected object at one time. With respect to the same kind of test materials, various kinds of gene research and detection can be ~~operatedeffected~~. It is unaccountable benefit. By utilizing the immobilized DNA library support and its replica supports, budget and manual work for developing a new gene diagnosis technology would be remarkably saved in future. If blood is collected from a patient or tissue is collected in his medical operation at one time for gene ~~diagnosing~~diagnosis, re-use of the collected blood/tissue can be easily accomplished with respect to preventive medical research. ~~Since, since~~ a plurality of immobilized

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DNA library supports are produced semi-eternally. These facts can bring a big benefit by reducing the mental and/or economic damage with respect to a patient as ~~less~~ much as possible.
